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Electric Energy Training for Air Regulatory & Planning Staff

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Introducing RAP, Chris, Ken, and John

- RAP is a non-advocacy, non-profit organization providing technical and educational assistance to government officials on energy and environmental issues.
- RAP Principals all have extensive utility regulatory experience.

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• Chris James is a senior associate at RAP; he previously led Connecticut's climate and energy efforts at the CT DEP.



• Ken Colburn joined RAP earlier this year; previously he consulted with states, directed NESCAUM, and led NH's air program.



• John Shenot joined RAP this year after service with both Wisconsin's PSC and DNR.

Purpose & Goals of Training

• From RAP's Perspective:

- 1. Traditional energy sources and practices are expensive, polluting, and increasingly unsustainable.
- 2. Over their life cycle, energy efficiency (EE) and renewable energy (RE) are equal or lower cost, less polluting, and far more sustainable, <u>and</u> they boost reliability and security.
- 3. Environment and energy regulators have little communication, understanding of each other's work.
- 4. EPA is in a strong position to encourage EE/RE.

Training Outline

- Modular Training Format
- Day 1 Modules:
 - 1. Overview: How Does Our Electric System Work?
 - 2. Characterizing Energy Efficiency (EE) & Its Benefits
 - 3. Characterizing Renewable Energy (RE) & Its Benefits
 - On-Site Visit to EPA's PV System
 - 4. Estimating the Benefits of EE/RE Policies & Programs
 - 5. Industrial EE as a Way to Help Comply with Air Rules

Training Outline

- Day 2 Modules (half day):
 - 6. Other Energy Issues, Developments, & Emerging Technologies
 - 7. Current Thinking on Incorporating EE/RE in Air Quality (AQ) Planning and SIPs
 - 8. EPA's Manual: Pathways for Bringing EE/RE into SIPs

Do's and Don'ts

- Using a "module approach" and most modules are being videotaped:
 - Some minor repetition (e.g., disclaimer)
 - Please avoid coming and going during presentations
 - If you have to leave the room, please do a quick "up and out" exit, avoiding walking in front of the camera
- During Q&A:
 - Please raise your hand if you have a question
 - We will come to your seat with a mobile camera and mike to capture your question clearly